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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: **Buxton, et al.**

Case: **AVOT002**

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Group Art Unit: **3628**

Title: **NETWORK REVERSE
AUCTION AND SPENDING
ANALYSIS METHODS**

Confirmation: **1774**

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office Action mailed June 2, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 2, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3562 the fee of \$1020.00 for a three-month extension of time required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3562 for any fees, including other extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.